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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Crimes - Drug-Induced Conduct**

3 FOR the purpose of making it a felony for a person to distribute or administer a
4 controlled dangerous substance to another person without that person's knowledge
5 and with the intent to commit a crime of violence against that person; defining a
6 certain term; imposing a certain penalty; and generally relating to controlled
7 dangerous substances and crimes of violence.

8 BY adding to

9 Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments
10 Section 286F
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (1996 Replacement Volume)

13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
14 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

15 **Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments**

16 286F.

17 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "WITHOUT THAT PERSON'S KNOWLEDGE" MEANS THAT
18 THE PERSON IS UNAWARE THAT A SUBSTANCE WITH THE ABILITY TO ALTER THE
19 PERSON'S ABILITY TO APPRAISE CONDUCT OR TO DECLINE PARTICIPATION IN OR
20 COMMUNICATE UNWILLINGNESS TO PARTICIPATE IN CONDUCT IS DISTRIBUTED OR
21 ADMINISTERED TO THE PERSON.

22 (B) A PERSON MAY NOT DISTRIBUTE OR ADMINISTER A CONTROLLED
23 DANGEROUS SUBSTANCE TO ANOTHER PERSON WITHOUT THAT PERSON'S
24 KNOWLEDGE AND WITH THE INTENT TO COMMIT A CRIME OF VIOLENCE AGAINST
25 THAT PERSON.

26 (C) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A FELONY AND IS
27 SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$25,000 OR IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 20
28 YEARS OR BOTH.

29 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
30 October 1, 1997.

